



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/809,814 Confirmation No.: 8540
Applicant : Suman P.S. KHANUJA et al.
Filed : March 26, 2004
Title : ALPHA ARTEETHER RESISTANCE DOMAIN
Group Art Unit : 1637
Examiner : CALAMITA, Heather
Atty. Docket No. : US 1374/04
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RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of July 28, 2006, the period for filing a response to which having been extended by five months, from August 28, 2006 to January 28, 2007, by virtue of concurrent filing of a Petition for Extension of Time and the requisite fee, Applicants elect herewith, with traverse, the invention of Group I, Claims 1, 2, 10, 11 and 12, directed to an oligonucleotide.

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The Applicants further elect SEQ ID NO 1, and primer pair of SEQ ID NOs 3 and 4.

It is noted herewith that this election is being made with traverse and without prejudice to the Applicants' right to file divisional applications directed to the non-elected inventions of Group II, Claims 2 and 4, directed to an oligopeptide and Group III, Claims 5-9, directed to a method of identifying alpha-arteether resistance domain.

In view of the above, examination of the application on merits is respectfully requested.

It is believed that no additional fee is due for this submission. Should that determination be incorrect, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies to our Deposit Account No. 01-0433, and notify the undersigned in due course.

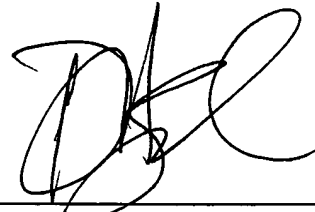
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Should the Examiner have any questions or wish to discuss further this matter,
please contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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